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PREFACE

This publication presents additional preliminary results for the full twelve months data from the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey (HES) further to those released on 4 June 1985 (Catalogue No. 6529.0). Expenditure patterns, income distributions and household characteristics are shown for households grouped according to the principal source of income of the household.

In addition, following the release of 6529.0 it has become apparent from enquiries to the ABS and comments in the media that some confusion exists about the meaning that can be attached to measures of the relationship between income and expenditure derived from this survey. Data on the distribution of income and expenditure according to principal source of income throws some light on the relationship, as does the dispersion of households across income and expenditure deciles. Explanatory Notes set out the survey definitions of income and expenditure and, in paragraphs 24-33, reasons why the difference between the two statistics may not measure savings or dis-savings.

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MAIN FEATURES

Distribution of Households

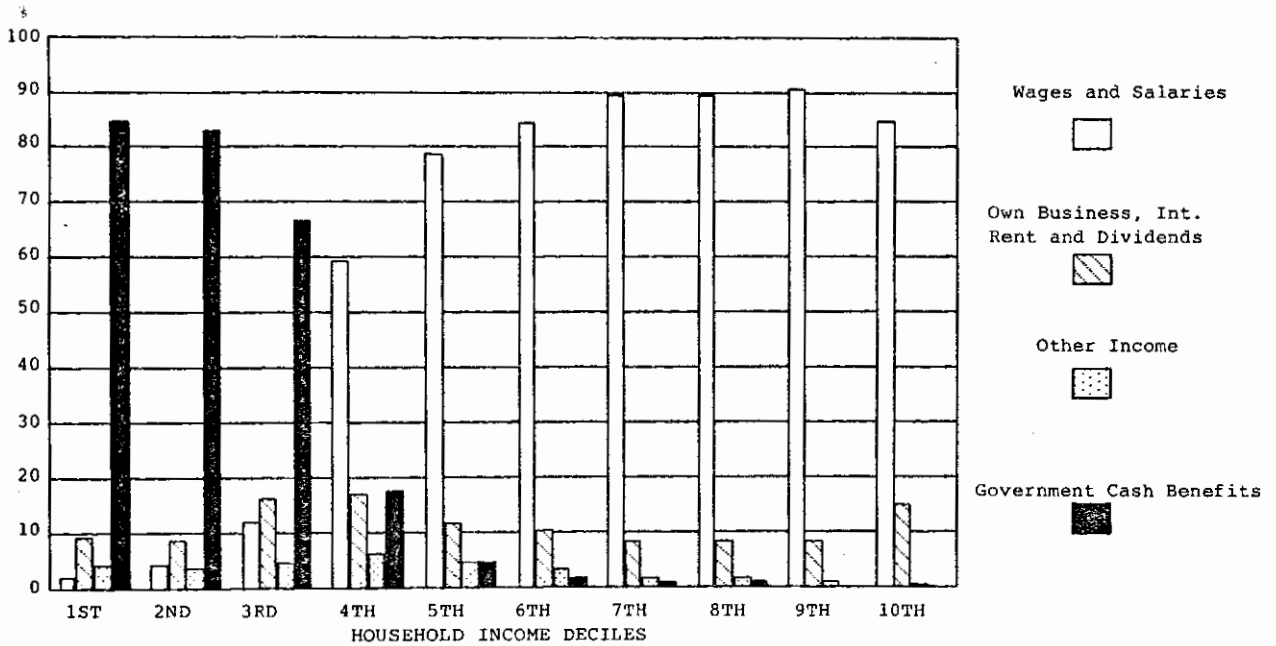
In 1984 it is estimated there were 5,031,900 households in Australia in the scope of the Household Expenditure Survey (HES). Of these households 59.5 per cent or 2,994,400 were households with wages and salaries as their principal source of income, 11.4 per cent or 572,700 own business/interest/rent/dividends households, and 26.0 per cent or 1,308,800 government cash benefits households.

The distribution of households across income classes varies considerably with the principal source of income of the household. Households with wages and salaries as their principal source of income are concentrated in the upper

seven household income deciles, households with own business/interest/rent/dividends as their principal source of income are distributed across the deciles, while households with government cash benefits and other private income as their principal source of income are concentrated in the lowest four household income deciles.

The diagram below shows the percentage contribution of the number of households in each household income decile by principal sources of income of households. (This diagram has been derived from Table 1.)

Percentage Contribution of the Number of Households
in each Household Income Decile by Principal Source of Income



Expenditure

Expenditure by households varies considerably depending on the type of expenditure and on the principal source of income of the household.

Per capita expenditure is reasonably constant for expenditure on some commodities or services such as fuel and power, and food. Expenditure patterns differ depending on whether private income or government cash benefits is the principal source of income of

the household. Per capita expenditure on clothing and footwear, transport and recreation, is considerably less for households where government benefits is the principal source of income.

The table below shows summary statistics for per capita expenditure for households by their principal sources of income. (This table has been derived from Table 2.)

Average Weekly Per Capita Expenditure by Principal Source of Household Income, Australia

Selected Expenditure groups	Wages and Salaries	Own Business, Interest, Rent, Dividends	Super- annuation	Other private income	Unemploy- ment/ Sickness Benefits	Age/ Invalid/ Wife's Pension	Supporting Parents/ Widows Pension	Other Government Cash Benefits	Total
Food	26.08	25.55	30.48	28.42	17.02	24.01	16.43	24.58	25.17
Transport	23.56	19.41	24.41	14.15	12.46	12.01	8.95	16.33	20.83
Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	17.87	13.96	21.45	15.88	13.43	11.85	13.49	12.15	16.43
Recreation	16.92	14.57	27.07	15.49	5.62	9.74	5.75	15.19	15.23
Clothing and footwear	9.20	8.21	8.36	5.80	3.68	6.21	4.97	6.38	8.32
Total commodity or service expenditure	139.64	123.83	181.19	119.95	75.41	93.20	71.51	112.99	127.77

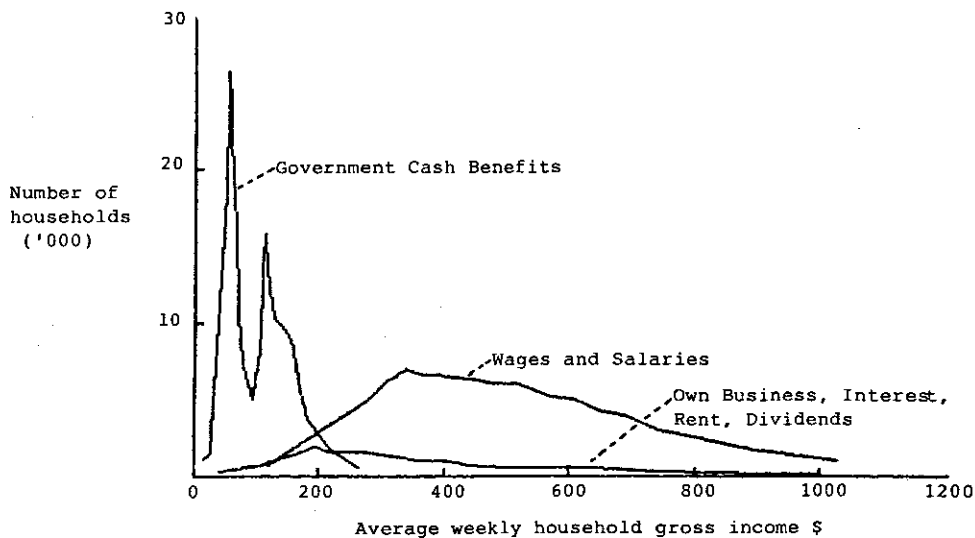
Income

Household income also varies with the principal source of income of the household. Households with government cash benefits as their principal source of income are tightly concentrated in the lower income ranges while households with wages and salaries and own business/interest/rent/dividends as their principal source of income are spread more evenly. However, average income for wages and salaries households is higher than for own business/interest/rent/dividends households.

This may reflect, amongst other things, data misreporting.

The diagram below shows the frequency distribution of households by the main principal sources of income of households. The bi-modal distribution for government cash benefit households reflects the impact of single person and two person pensioner households. (This diagram has been derived from Tables 3-10.)

Frequency Distribution of Households by Main Principal Sources of Income, Australia



Further, households with wages and salaries as their principal source of income have the highest mean household income of \$584.06 while aged/invalid/wife's pensions households have the lowest of \$141.57. This, in part, reflects that these households have the highest and lowest number of earners per household, 1.7 and 0.1 respectively.

Also, on a per capita basis wages and salaries and superannuation households have the highest

average weekly income of \$186.17 and \$186.30 respectively and unemployment/sickness benefits households have the lowest of \$54.82. These per capita income figures are influenced by household composition.

The table below shows summary income statistics for households by their principal sources of income. (This table has been extracted from Table 2.)

Selected Income Information by Principal Source of Household Income, Australia

Household Characteristics	Wages and Salaries	Own Business, Interest, Rent, Dividends	Superannuation	Other private income	Unemployment/Sickness Benefits	Age/Invalid/Wife's Pension	Supporting Parents/Widows Pension	Other Government Cash Benefits	Total
Average weekly household income(\$)	584.06	476.63	312.47	249.80	177.62	141.57	163.21	178.95	451.48
Average weekly per capita income(\$)	186.17	163.14	186.30	97.36	54.82	86.23	58.68	87.20	159.27
Proportion of total income being:									
Wages and salaries %	91.12	10.75	2.95	10.63	3.88	1.49	5.35	2.66	71.8
Own bus./Int./Rent/Div %	4.36	82.71	18.45	10.89	2.98	8.28	1.80	9.09	8.4
Government benefits %	3.42	4.66	12.03	9.60	91.94	87.63	86.88	84.36	11.3
Other %	1.10	1.88	66.57	68.89	1.20	2.61	5.98	3.89	8.5
Average number of earners in household (number)	1.7	1.3	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.2

Household Characteristics

The average number of persons per household varies with the principal source of income of the household. It ranges from 1.6 and 1.7 for aged/invalid/wife's pension and superannuation households respectively to 3.2 and 3.3 for wages and salaries and unemployment/sickness benefits households respectively.

The average age of the head of household, which is stable across income deciles for households with the same principal source of income, varies considerably between households with differing principal sources of income. These range from an average age of 70 years for age/invalid/wife's pension households to 38 years for unemployment/sickness benefits households.

There is also considerable variation of the proportion of households owning, buying and renting housing across the various types of households. Superannuation and age/invalid/wife's pensions households have the highest home ownership of 76 and 74 per cent respectively while unemployment/sickness benefits and supporting parents/widows pensions households have the lowest with 22 and 18 per cent respectively. For those categories of households, the converse is true for the proportion renting housing.

Income/Expenditure Distribution

In any particular period, households may, and quite often do, spend more than their income. This is illustrated by Table 11, which shows for each household income decile the wide dispersion of households across expenditure deciles. In this table, about 60 per cent of households have similar expenditure and income, ie. cells on the main diagonal running from the top left to the bottom right of the table, together with the adjacent cells. This leaves about 20 per cent of households with high expenditure relative to income and about 20 per cent with low expenditure relative to income. For this reason it is very difficult to interpret meaningfully any measure of average household expenditure as compared with average household income.

Further dissection of this information by principal source of income of households shows that the dispersion of expenditure within income decile classes is significantly less for wage and salary households but significantly more for own business/interest/rent/dividends households. This means for wage and salary households that expenditure is more likely to match with income, while for own business/interest/rent/dividends household expenditure is less likely to match with income.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication presents further preliminary results for the full twelve months data from the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey (HES). A publication (6529.0) which presented broader level preliminary results was issued in June 1985. A series of publications to be released later this year will present results in more detail.

2 The 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0), released on 7 June 1984, was partly designed to assist users in evaluating and interpreting results arising from this survey. In addition to the Information Paper, a detailed concepts, methodology and procedures publication will complement the release of the final 1984 HES output.

3 The estimates contained in this publication are preliminary only and subject to revision at a later date.

Scope and coverage

Geographical areas

4 The survey covers both rural and urban areas across all States and Territories (except remote and sparsely settled areas).

Dwellings

5 Only private dwellings and caravan parks were included in this survey. Private dwellings are houses, flats, home units, caravans, garages, tents and any other structures used as private places of residence at the time of the survey. Hotels, boarding houses, institutions, etc. were regarded as 'special dwellings' outside the scope of the survey.

Households

6 Information was collected on a household basis rather than for selected individuals in the population, because many items of expenditure such as food, accommodation, and household goods and appliances relate to the household as a unit.

7 A household is defined as a group of people who live together (in a single dwelling) as a single unit in the sense that they have common housekeeping arrangements; that is, they have some common provisions for food and other essentials of living. A person, or persons, living in the same dwelling but having separate catering arrangements constitute a separate household.

8 The head of a household is taken to be that person nominated by the member(s) of the household as the 'head'.

9 The following were excluded from the survey:

- (a) foreign diplomatic and foreign diplomatic staff households;

- (b) foreign defence force staff households;
- (c) visitors staying with a household for less than six weeks after the initial interview;
- (d) households with one or more usual members, who are spenders, who could not be interviewed within 14 days after the initial approach; and
- (e) households with one or more usual members, present at the initial interview, who did not intend to return before the end of the diary-keeping.

Definition of Expenditure and Income

10 The collection of expenditure data in the 1984 HES was based on an acquisitions approach. This means that the expenditure relates to goods and services acquired during the reference period, whether or not those goods are paid for or consumed, e.g. goods purchased by bankcard are counted as expenditure at the time they are acquired rather than at the time the bankcard bill is paid. Expenditure is net of refunds or expected refunds (e.g. payments for health services are net of any refunds received or expected to be received).

11 For a comprehensive list of items of expenditure collected in the 1984 HES, and the composition of a particular broad expenditure group, reference should be made to HES Commodity Code List contained in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey Information Paper (6527.0).

12 Income, which was collected in respect of all household members, was defined as gross weekly income from all sources (before deductions for income tax, superannuation, etc.) at the time of the interview. In general, income was regarded as all receipts which were received regularly and were of a recurring nature.

13 The main components of income are:

- (a) current usual wages and salaries;
- (b) income derived from self-employment;
- (c) government direct benefits (including benefits received from an overseas government but excluding educational grants, (see (e) below);
- (d) income from investments (including interest, dividends, royalties and rent); and

- (e) other regular income (including educational grants and private and government scholarships received in cash, superannuation, workers' compensation, alimony or maintenance, and any other allowances regularly received).

14 Certain receipts were not considered to conform to these criteria and were therefore treated as being outside the scope of the survey. Such receipts include the following:

- (a) maturity payments on insurance policies, superannuation, etc as these lump-sum receipts were regarded as maturity of an investment rather than income;
- (b) lump-sum compensation for injury, and legal damages received;
- (c) windfall gains such as gambling and lottery winnings;
- (d) lump-sum inheritances and other lump-sum receipts;
- (e) withdrawals from savings;
- (f) loans and credit obtained;
- (g) profit from buying and selling of stocks, shares and other capital goods, unless as a business (even if these profits are taxable);
- (h) value of home-produced goods where the economic activity of the household was not associated with the production of these goods;
- (i) monetary gifts if not regularly received, and the value of non-monetary gifts from another household;
- (j) loans being repaid to a member of the household by a third party;
- (k) receipts from sale of household effects, eg. furniture, televisions, refrigerators;
- (l) income derived from the 'cash economy' and not reported; and
- (m) employer contributions to superannuation funds and/or life assurance policies.

15 The distribution of these items across deciles is unknown. Therefore, caution should be exercised in interpreting the expenditure patterns across income deciles. For example, if these items are assumed to be distributed uniformly across deciles, then their impact would fall proportionally more on the lower income deciles.

16 The tenth decile is open ended (ie. there is no upper bound on income). Cells in the tenth decile are associated with a wide range

of incomes and are thus not directly comparable to cells in the other nine deciles which are bounded on both sides.

17 The principal source of income for each household was derived using a two-tiered hierarchical classification. The first level of the classification compares total private income with total government cash benefits. At the second level, income was further classified according to the 23 specific sources of income defined on page 18 of the 1984 Household Expenditure Survey Information Paper (6527.0), to give the principal source of income for each household.

Reliability of the estimates

18 The estimates provided in this publication are subject to two types of error, sampling error and non-sampling error.

Sampling error

19 Sampling error is the difference which would be expected between the estimates and the corresponding figures that would have been obtained from a collection based on the whole population, using the same questionnaires and procedures. One measure of the sampling error for a given estimate is provided by the standard error percentage of the estimate. Appendix 1 of 6529.0 contains a more comprehensive discussion of sampling errors as well as giving details of the standard error percentages for selected estimates.

Non-sampling error

20 Non-sampling error can occur whether the estimates are derived from a sample or from a complete collection. Three major sources of non-sampling error are:

- (a) inability, for a number of reasons, to obtain comprehensive data from all households included in the sample. These so-called non-response errors arise because of differences which may have existed between the characteristics and patterns of expenditure and income between respondent and non-respondent households;
- (b) errors in reporting on the part of both respondents and interviewers. These reporting errors may arise through inappropriate wording of questions, misunderstanding of what data are required, inability or unwillingness to provide accurate information and mistakes in answers to questions; and
- (c) errors arising during processing of the survey data. These processing errors may arise through mistakes in coding and data recording as well as errors arising from incorrect classifications of individual payments to some of the more detailed expenditure categories.

21 Non-sampling errors are difficult to measure in any collection. However, every effort was made to minimise these errors in the Household Expenditure Survey. In particular the effect of the reporting and processing errors described above were minimised by careful questionnaire design, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, asking respondents to refer to records whenever possible and extensive editing and quality control checking at all stages of data processing.

22 The error due to incomplete response was minimised by call-backs to all initial non-respondent households in order to explain the importance of their co-operation to the results of the survey and by adjustment to the weights (the factors used to expand the sample data to obtain population estimates) allocated to the respondent households in order to allow for households with similar characteristics from whom comprehensive data was not obtained.

23 Because of the extended collection period of the survey, changes in money values and changes in the relative prices of goods and services during the period have some implications for the interpretation of the results. The reference periods of data items differed, first, because households were approached at different dates over the duration of the survey and, second, because data items were obtained in respect of varying reference periods (e.g. medical expenses in respect of the previous 3 months, purchase of motor vehicles in the previous 12 months). These factors should be borne in mind in interpretation of results.

Measurement of Savings

24 The HES is not designed to produce data on savings either directly or indirectly. Although comparisons can be made between average total expenditure/average total payments and average income/average disposable income, it would be misleading to take the differences as a measure of saving. There are several reasons for this.

25 The estimates of income produced by the HES are not designed to be estimates of all sources of funds which might be used to finance current expenditure. First, receipts of the kind listed in paragraph 14 above were not collected in the HES as part of income, because they were not received regularly or were not of a recurring nature. For particular households over short periods such receipts can be large compared with receipts included as income.

26 Second, the information collected as receipts was not always collected on a current basis. For example:

- (a) For wage and salary earners the income measured was usually the last fortnightly pay. However, income over the last 3 months was collected from persons working on commission or persons with widely fluctuating incomes.

- (b) For the self-employed, the income collected was for the last financial year before tax but AFTER deduction of business expenses.

- (c) For those recipients of superannuation, worker's compensation, accident compensation, maintenance/alimony, family allowance, student allowance, scholarship or student assistance, the income collected was the value of the LAST payment (and the period which it covered).

- (d) For those persons receiving income from interest, royalties, dividends from shares, trusts, the income collected was the amount received for the last financial year.

- (e) For those persons receiving income from renting properties, the income collected was the total amount received as rent in the last financial year less expenses incurred.

27 As to expenditures, the estimates of expenditure from the HES are not estimates of all current payments. First, as pointed out in paragraph 10 above, expenditure data was collected by using an acquisitions approach, ie. 'expenditure' was recorded even if 'payment' had not been made. Second, although most types of expenditure were collected for the current period from the diary, less frequent and often large expense items were collected on a 'recall' or last payment basis. The length of the recall period ranged from two years for house purchases to three months for health expenses.

28 In the HES all forms of income and expenditure data which were collected were converted to weekly equivalents to facilitate comparison and aggregation. Therefore, final estimates produced which show average weekly income and expenditure cannot be considered as estimates of current average funds available to households or current average outlays of funds by households.

29 In addition, because the HES data is collected by survey methods from a sample of households across Australia, there are several significant reasons why it would be incorrect to compare estimates of expenditure with the estimates of income and attribute the difference to savings or dis-savings. First, there is the arithmetic objection that the relatively small residual derived by taking the difference between two large variables, each containing sampling and non-sampling fluctuations, is subject to large errors. This problem is inescapable and inherent in deriving from sample estimates any 'small' estimate as the difference between two other 'large' estimates.

30 Second, although the HES had a very high comprehensive response rate for surveys of this type (about 80%), useable information was

not collected from the balance of households in the sample. Estimates of residuals are particularly vulnerable to error should respondents and non-respondents differ as to the income/expenditure relationship. Insufficient information was available to attempt to allow for this in compiling the estimates.

31 Third, all data which is collected by survey methods is subject to reporting errors as was commented on in paragraph 20(b) above. For example, on the income side, it is doubtful whether the HES would obtain complete information about income earned from the 'underground' economy. Similarly, on the expenditure side, it is known that the estimates of expenditure for certain items is significantly under-reported, as in the case of expenditure on alcohol.

32 In summary, the definitions used for expenditure and income, together with the time periods to which component items relate, the arithmetic problem, the unknown characteristics of the non-responding households, and the known or highly likely reporting errors are such that the difference between total expenditure and income available will NOT represent any meaningful estimates of households savings or dis-savings.

33 Although the income data collected by HES is comparable with that obtained from previous income surveys conducted by the ABS, the HES does not purport to be an income-expenditure balance sheet. The collection of income data in the survey is primarily undertaken to allow households to be classified into groups for expenditure analysis. It is NOT expected that income and expenditure will balance either for an individual household or even when averaged over a group of households. The difference between expenditure and income is not necessarily a measure of savings or dis-savings.

Related publications

34 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Household Expenditure Survey, 1974-75, Bulletins 1-8 (6507.0-6514.0)

Household Expenditure Survey, 1975-76, Bulletins 1-4 (6516.0-6519.0)

Information Paper, 1984 Household Expenditure Survey (6527.0)

1984 Household Expenditure Survey, Australia (January to June 1984), Preliminary (6528.0)

Income and Housing Survey, 1981-82 (6524.0-6526.0)

Social Indicators No. 4, 1984 (4101.0) (\$21.50, \$25.50 incl. postage)

Australian Families, 1982 (4408.0) (\$1.50, \$2.20 incl. postage)

Consumer Price Index (6401.0)

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Symbols and other usages

- .. not applicable
- nil or rounded to zero
- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. See paragraph 18 above.

36 Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals. Published percentages are calculated prior to rounding of the figures and therefore some discrepancy may exist between these percentages and those that could be calculated from the rounded figures.

TABLE 1 : 1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY : NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a)
BY PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME,
AUSTRALIA

Principal Source of Household Income	Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	
	0-	113-	171-	235-	314-	387	471-	564-	676-	860 OR	
	112	170	234	313	386	470	563	675	859	MORE	
Estimated Number of Households ('000)											
Private Income :											
Wages and salaries	11.1	19.9	62.1	299.1	394.4	425.0	455.1	452.3	452.9	422.5	2,994.4
Own business/interest/rent/dividends	46.0	44.0	82.8	86.6	59.2	53.2	42.0	42.6	41.5	74.7	572.7
Superannuation	*	11.3	14.3	19.5	18.3	12.0	*	*	*	*	91.4
Other private income(b)	17.5	8.3	9.2	11.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	64.6
Government Benefits:											
Unemployment or sickness benefit	42.2	48.1	67.3	22.6	7.4	*	*	*	-	-	189.7
Age/invalid/wives pension	311.1	210.1	155.4	30.8	*	*	*	-	-	-	714.9
Supporting parents/widows pension	31.3	88.3	44.2	12.3	*	*	*	*	-	-	182.1
Other government benefit (c)	40.0	71.3	72.7	23.4	6.7	*	*	*	-	-	222.1
Total	501.9	501.3	507.9	505.6	499.4	502.9	509.7	506.0	498.7	498.6	5,031.9

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Includes households where the principal source of income was in the form of scholarships, study allowance or TEAS; Worker's Compensation; accident compensation; maintenance or alimony; private regular income, not elsewhere specified; or those households where the combined income was zero or negative. (c) Includes households where the principal source of income was in the form of Veterans Affairs pension; family allowance, student allowance or child endowment; or government benefits, not elsewhere specified.

TABLE 2 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME OF HOUSEHOLDS, AUSTRALIA

Broad Expenditure Group(a)		Principal Source of Income of Households								Total
		Wages and Salaries	Own Business/ Interest/ Rent/ Dividends	Super-annuation	Other private income	Unemployment/ Sickness Benefits	Age/ Invalid/ Wife's Pension	Supporting Parents/ Widows Pension	Other Government Cash Benefits	
Code(s)	Description									
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(b)										
Commodity or service										
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	56.83	40.63	37.32	38.27	44.33	19.31	37.76	25.03	46.50
7- 9	Fuel and power	11.51	12.07	9.41	9.34	9.13	7.21	8.90	8.27	10.57
10-47	Food	82.92	74.34	53.04	68.49	56.15	39.13	46.00	50.63	71.23
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	15.86	11.88	10.29	10.24	6.83	3.56	2.47	7.98	12.31
52	Tobacco	6.80	4.23	3.87	5.14	7.64	2.96	5.29	3.93	5.74
53-58	Clothing and footwear	29.25	23.88	14.55	13.98	12.15	10.12	13.91	13.14	23.55
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	34.03	26.36	28.44	21.02	15.74	10.32	17.00	21.26	27.65
64-69	Household services and operation	17.54	17.65	15.29	14.12	11.16	10.15	9.98	12.55	15.68
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	16.92	19.04	16.03	13.11	4.93	5.92	2.69	5.88	14.08
74-80	Transport	74.91	56.47	42.47	34.09	41.11	19.58	25.05	33.65	58.94
81-88	Recreation	53.81	42.39	47.11	37.33	18.55	15.88	16.09	31.30	43.10
89-90	Personal care	8.00	6.55	5.92	5.01	3.80	3.20	3.77	4.49	6.61
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	33.14	28.89	17.31	25.70	17.69	6.29	10.55	14.64	26.24
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	441.52	364.37	301.03	295.83	249.22	153.62	199.48	232.75	362.19
Selected other payments										
96	Income tax	111.63	91.68	71.34	32.62	12.88	2.78	2.37	10.06	79.99
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	8.98	6.69	0.85	1.15	3.36	0.55	1.89	2.18	6.51
98	Other capital housing costs	21.79	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	18.21
99	Superannuation and life insurance	17.36	8.43	1.14	1.99	1.29	0.28	0.46	1.28	11.50

(a) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (b) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant group.

Table 2 : continued

Principal Source of Income of Households										
Household Characteristics		Wages and Salaries	Own Business/ Interest/ Rent/ Dividends	Super-annuation	Other private income	Unemployment/ Sickness Benefits	Age/ Invalid/ Wife's Pension	Supporting Parents/ Widows/ Pension	Other Government Cash Benefit	Total
Average weekly household income\$(a)		584.06	476.63	312.47	249.80	177.62	141.57	163.21	178.95	451.48
Average weekly per capita income\$(b)		186.17	163.14	186.30	97.36	54.82	86.23	58.68	87.20	159.27
Average weekly per capita expenditure\$(b)		139.64	123.83	181.19	119.95	75.41	93.20	71.51	112.99	127.77
Proportion of total income in each group being:										
Wages and salaries	%	91.12	10.75	2.95	10.63	3.88	1.49	5.35	2.66	71.75
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	%	4.36	82.71	18.45	10.89	2.98	8.28	1.80	9.09	8.41
Government cash benefits	%	3.42	4.66	12.03	9.60	91.94	87.63	86.88	84.36	11.33
Other	%	1.10	1.88	66.57	68.89	1.20	2.61	5.98	3.89	8.52
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(c)		40.17	50.37	66.18	48.72	38.52	70.30	37.53	63.40	47.12
Average number of persons per household:										
Under 18 years	No.	0.87	0.78	0.07	0.42	1.20	0.05	1.43	0.24	0.33
18 to 64 years	No.	2.26	1.84	.88	1.63	2.09	0.49	1.36	1.08	1.83
65 years and over	No.	0.05	0.29	0.80	0.36	0.01	1.10	0.02	0.74	0.27
Total	No.	3.18	2.91	1.74	2.41	3.30	1.63	2.80	2.06	2.83
Proportion of households in group with nature of housing occupancy being:										
Owned outright	%	26.74	59.32	75.74	55.49	22.17	73.59	17.66	62.58	39.44
Being bought	%	43.55	26.84	17.80	5.70	16.01	4.69	12.24	20.75	32.00
Renting - government	%	4.07	0.75	2.26	1.06	17.77	8.31	28.59	5.77	5.71
Renting - private	%	22.72	10.18	3.48	31.79	40.71	9.13	33.96	7.48	19.52
Occupied rent free	%	2.92	2.92	0.72	5.96	3.34	4.28	7.56	3.42	3.30
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(d)		1.69	1.32	0.13	0.59	0.17	0.07	0.16	0.24	1.20
Proportion of households in group with family household composition being:										
Married couple:										
- only	%	19.27	26.40	43.94	32.78	13.24	38.66		50.84	23.81
- with dependent children only	%	38.53	34.42	2.67	19.31	45.50	1.51	0.64	12.16	29.62
- other	%	17.80	14.57	5.01	8.44	11.39	3.70	0.43	5.15	13.73
Single parent one family household only	%	3.08	1.38	1.74	2.25	1.91	0.54	76.07	0.31	5.02
Single person household	%	11.04	17.69	39.10	24.84	20.99	48.54	16.56	27.51	19.14
Other(e)	%	10.28	5.53	7.54	12.37	6.97	7.06	6.30	4.02	8.71
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample		5,942	986	183	117	336	1,237	352	394	9,547
Estimated total number in population:										
Households	('000)	2,994.4	572.7	91.4	64.9	189.7	714.9	182.1	222.1	5,031.9
Persons	('000)	9,518.3	1,668.9	159.4	155.9	626.0	1,167.2	509.8	458.0	14,263.4

(a) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (b) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (c) Age last birthday. (d) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (e) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 3 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME WAGES AND SALARIES

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)										All house- holds
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	
		0- 296	297- 350	351- 404	405- 467	468- 527	528- 593	594- 670	671- 773	774- 945	946 OR MORE	TOTAL
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)												
Commodity or service												
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	42.79	48.50	50.54	53.48	54.17	57.71	56.88	63.98	65.28	74.80	56.83
7- 9	Fuel and power	9.60	9.23	10.78	10.78	11.60	10.96	11.36	12.60	12.77	15.40	11.51
10-47	Food	55.94	61.35	67.58	73.44	76.41	82.15	84.11	94.01	104.28	129.66	82.92
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	7.87	10.14	11.76	12.88	14.21	15.20	17.27	18.56	20.93	29.68	15.86
52	Tobacco	5.40	6.15	6.40	7.24	6.82	7.07	6.44	7.65	7.09	7.72	6.80
53-58	Clothing and footwear	14.99	16.45	20.56	20.55	23.06	24.50	28.29	41.44	43.18	59.34	29.25
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	18.45	21.38	25.79	28.81	36.34	30.79	34.68	43.95	43.13	56.82	34.03
64-69	Household services and operation	11.64	12.75	14.68	15.20	15.98	16.46	18.09	20.21	22.86	27.49	17.54
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	11.19	13.06	13.84	14.39	15.05	16.56	17.73	19.87	22.30	25.17	16.92
74-80	Transport	46.76	52.27	55.63	60.73	70.40	67.92	78.66	86.56	102.94	127.03	74.91
81-88	Recreation	25.97	31.29	35.44	47.42	45.61	51.85	55.08	67.15	70.63	107.24	53.81
89-90	Personal care	5.06	5.68	5.38	6.69	6.91	7.20	8.18	10.24	10.55	14.11	8.00
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	18.31	23.73	22.36	22.81	32.52	29.09	32.37	36.23	44.73	69.18	33.14
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	273.96	311.98	340.75	374.42	409.07	417.47	449.15	522.44	570.67	743.64	441.52
Selected other payments												
96	Income tax	38.01	54.56	64.76	80.31	92.50	105.10	117.89	136.48	168.22	257.71	111.63
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	3.94	7.07	6.08	8.10	8.30	9.29	9.75	11.01	12.99	13.25	8.98
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21.79
99	Superannuation and life insurance	5.40	8.15	12.72	12.71	15.39	17.09	19.05	22.35	25.10	35.52	17.36

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant decile group.

TABLE 3 : continued

	Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	
	0- 296	297- 350	351- 404	405- 467	468- 527	528- 593	594- 670	671- 773	774- 945	946 OR MORE	
Household Characteristics											TOTAL
Average weekly household income \$(b)	242.52	323.70	377.78	436.53	498.02	559.61	631.15	718.28	847.34	1,201.85	584.06
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	99.71	114.61	123.73	140.70	158.18	172.55	194.09	216.23	243.58	311.52	186.17
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	110.76	111.20	110.64	120.34	129.28	129.69	142.73	155.72	163.92	188.51	139.64
Proportion of total income in each decile group being:											
Wages and salaries %	90.47	91.85	90.51	88.94	90.76	90.81	92.82	91.70	92.09	90.42	91.12
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div. %	2.52	2.34	2.80	3.78	3.59	4.12	3.03	4.46	4.82	6.72	4.36
Government cash benefits %	5.91	5.33	5.93	6.42	4.38	4.01	2.84	2.79	1.98	1.54	3.42
Other %	1.09	0.47	0.77	0.85	1.26	1.06	1.32	1.06	1.11	1.31	1.10
Total %	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	38.60	38.60	40.14	39.60	39.37	39.05	39.94	40.47	42.04	43.86	40.17
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years No.	0.70	1.02	1.00	1.03	0.96	0.93	0.86	0.79	0.75	0.66	0.87
18 to 64 years No.	1.70	1.81	1.93	2.05	2.13	2.26	2.31	2.50	2.67	3.20	2.26
65 years and over No.	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05
Total No.	2.43	2.87	3.00	3.14	3.15	3.22	3.22	3.35	3.48	3.92	3.18
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright %	28.29	23.32	27.02	24.19	26.11	23.08	27.40	29.28	27.78	30.91	26.74
Being bought %	23.79	39.02	38.21	42.80	45.87	46.31	48.62	49.23	53.24	48.25	43.55
Renting - government %	5.47	6.96	5.89	5.63	3.86	4.65	2.35	3.56	1.38	0.97	4.07
Renting - private %	34.85	27.90	26.03	24.60	21.15	23.42	20.18	15.06	15.87	18.22	22.72
Occupied rent free %	7.60	2.79	2.85	2.78	3.01	2.54	1.45	2.87	1.73	1.64	2.92
Total %	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	1.19	1.14	1.28	1.34	1.51	1.69	1.85	2.00	2.26	2.66	1.69
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:											
Married couple:											
- only %	16.74	16.05	16.20	14.12	21.87	20.74	25.10	23.70	23.45	14.74	19.27
- with dependent children only %	32.39	47.75	44.09	44.43	45.33	42.29	40.50	34.00	28.33	26.15	38.53
- other %	4.16	4.27	7.88	12.74	11.40	15.74	17.53	27.75	34.24	42.13	17.80
Single parent one family household only %	7.72	3.16	4.44	4.60	2.68	1.38	1.84	2.81	1.00	1.19	3.08
Single person household %	32.38	24.15	17.43	12.83	7.26	7.56	4.97	1.67	1.04	1.31	11.04
Other(f) %	6.61	4.62	9.96	11.28	11.46	12.29	10.06	10.06	11.93	14.48	10.28
Total %	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	556	561	559	602	608	591	615	625	588	637	5,942
Estimated total number in population:											
Households ('000)	297.0	297.6	300.1	303.1	295.8	300.8	301.8	299.4	299.1	299.8	2,994.4
Persons ('000)	721.1	853.1	900.1	952.8	932.4	969.6	972.9	1,002.3	1,039.6	1,174.4	9,518.3

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 4 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME OWN BUSINESS/INTEREST/RENT/DIVIDENDS

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)									
Item	Description	Lowest	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	All
Code(s)		10%	decile	decile	decile	decile	decile	decile	decile	decile	house-
		group	group	group	group	group	group	group	group	group	holds
		0-	134-	188-	234-	288-	343-	418-	534-	680-	1026 OR
		133	187	233	287	342	417	533	679	1025	1026 OR MORE
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)											
Commodity or service											
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	40.83	34.10	26.69	27.53	42.08	36.54	45.14	49.79	39.47	63.53
7- 9	Fuel and power	9.44	10.95	9.15	9.21	9.69	11.26	13.94	12.77	13.31	20.95
10-47	Food	51.61	54.77	57.37	61.75	69.38	74.98	82.71	84.33	93.12	112.81
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	7.31	9.52	10.85	9.10	9.01	11.04	11.93	15.29	16.11	18.63
52	Tobacco	2.83	4.47	4.91	3.75	3.13	4.15	3.49	4.82	5.23	5.54
53-58	Clothing and footwear	11.29	10.28	16.10	18.48	18.91	22.62	26.82	28.29	32.27	53.60
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	14.70	17.20	18.66	25.60	21.12	19.97	32.32	29.60	40.20	44.05
64-69	Household services and operation	12.73	13.75	12.98	15.28	15.73	16.52	18.28	17.16	21.63	32.34
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	15.49	17.91	14.23	21.25	15.99	18.34	18.43	19.59	22.04	27.36
74-80	Transport	31.25	32.00	45.23	38.10	32.30	49.44	58.69	76.50	96.25	104.77
81-88	Recreation	29.29	28.91	27.71	26.97	38.80	37.45	43.80	51.55	54.36	84.53
89-90	Personal care	3.58	4.25	5.47	4.02	6.24	6.84	6.68	8.73	9.12	10.45
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	18.97	22.93	11.73	20.00	18.70	32.67	19.53	53.15	27.01	64.81
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	249.34	261.04	261.09	281.05	301.08	341.83	381.77	451.59	470.12	643.39
Selected other payments											
96	Income tax	19.40	17.54	29.52	31.75	40.13	60.83	86.04	95.59	147.59	387.79
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	9.60	3.19	4.99	5.22	5.19	7.40	6.17	5.84	6.50	12.87
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	4.51	4.56	5.12	6.62	3.91	5.53	7.25	10.79	19.82	16.09
											8.43

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant decile group.

TABLE 4 : continued

		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)										All
		Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	house- holds
		0- 133	134- 187	188- 233	234- 287	288- 342	343- 417	418- 533	534- 679	680- 1025	1026 OR MORE	TOTAL
Household Characteristics												
Average weekly household income \$(b)		71.82	164.13	209.31	260.32	311.61	381.13	470.38	603.05	810.40	1,479.80	476.63
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)		33.46	66.10	78.31	92.42	104.04	123.86	144.60	181.65	246.07	408.81	163.14
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)		114.50	103.03	100.36	100.03	98.42	113.10	118.29	132.97	146.03	182.12	123.83
Proportion of total income in each decile group, being:												
Wages and salaries	%	0.73	1.73	1.93	2.78	3.81	3.67	7.37	11.62	15.14	16.46	10.75
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	%	90.73	82.08	86.51	82.93	83.60	88.88	84.16	81.38	80.37	81.43	82.71
Government cash benefits	%	7.76	15.49	8.71	12.73	11.18	6.05	5.99	3.75	2.23	0.85	4.66
Other	%	0.77	0.69	2.85	1.55	1.42	1.39	2.48	3.25	2.25	1.25	1.88
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)		51.25	52.42	50.14	54.14	48.34	50.25	50.46	49.83	48.81	48.35	50.37
Average number of persons per household:												
Under 18 years	No.	0.48	0.63	0.78	0.71	1.12	0.81	0.89	0.71	0.73	0.89	0.78
18 to 64 years	No.	1.36	1.50	1.55	1.72	1.60	1.76	1.96	2.31	2.17	2.52	1.84
65 years and over	No.	0.23	0.31	0.26	0.32	0.40	0.30	0.40	0.25	0.23	0.20	0.29
Total	No.	2.06	2.45	2.59	2.74	3.12	2.88	3.26	3.27	3.14	3.61	2.91
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:												
Owned outright	%	64.50	56.15	62.21	59.04	50.94	59.43	53.53	58.13	70.75	58.76	59.32
Being bought	%	21.52	20.99	19.95	22.74	32.17	28.91	35.74	26.68	22.66	36.62	26.84
Renting - government	%	0.50	0.93	0.77	0.19	0.08	0.60	2.50	0.23	1.64	-	0.75
Renting - private	%	8.03	19.17	10.67	12.46	13.94	7.63	8.23	13.24	3.84	4.63	10.18
Occupied rent free	%	5.45	2.76	6.40	5.57	2.88	3.44	-	1.72	1.12	-	2.92
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)		0.81	1.02	1.00	1.11	1.14	1.41	1.36	1.68	1.70	1.98	1.32
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:												
Married couple:												
- only	%	27.28	22.59	26.50	38.66	24.81	28.45	31.06	19.78	23.62	21.71	26.40
- with dependent children only	%	23.24	30.67	41.19	34.09	40.31	35.01	40.14	28.80	32.02	38.45	34.42
- other	%	3.36	7.10	3.09	7.90	11.71	10.73	18.04	31.80	25.14	26.64	14.57
Single parent one family household only	%	-	2.41	1.69	1.26	1.76	3.32	1.30	-	2.05	-	1.38
Single person household	%	45.43	31.07	23.12	15.60	15.68	13.07	4.96	9.79	13.66	4.60	17.69
Other(f)	%	0.69	6.15	4.42	2.49	5.73	9.41	4.50	9.84	3.51	8.60	5.53
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample		91	95	90	91	101	108	113	96	100	101	986
Estimated total number in population:												
Households	('000)	57.3	57.1	57.0	55.0	59.8	56.6	58.0	56.6	58.2	57.1	572.7
Persons	('000)	118.1	139.9	147.5	150.9	186.2	162.9	189.2	185.4	182.6	206.2	1,668.9

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 5 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME SUPERANNUATION

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)										
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	All house- holds
		0-197		198-263		264-330		331-416		417 OR MORE		TOTAL
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)												
	Commodity or service											
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	22.16		29.66		47.45		53.52		33.80		37.32
7- 9	Fuel and power	6.34		7.76		9.49		9.37		14.08		9.41
10-47	Food	36.93		47.88		58.61		50.13		71.57		53.04
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	4.80		8.16		18.07		9.27		11.02		10.29
52	Tobacco	4.38		6.26		1.21		3.85		3.69		3.87
53-58	Clothing and footwear	8.04		10.83		17.27		8.40		28.13		14.55
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	28.82		19.21		25.07		9.66		59.38		28.44
64-69	Household services and operation	10.52		11.97		13.64		17.42		22.96		15.29
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	13.03		14.31		15.96		16.21		20.63		16.03
74-80	Transport	20.95		38.74		47.58		53.62		51.50		42.47
81-88	Recreation	29.08		40.66		35.26		47.24		83.58		47.11
89-90	Personal care	4.03		3.55		8.09		5.36		8.54		5.92
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	6.72		10.55		17.55		14.24		37.52		17.31
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	195.82		249.54		315.26		298.31		446.40		301.03
	Selected other payments											
96	Income tax	23.84		51.70		65.23		71.50		144.74		71.34
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	0.48		1.55		0.72		0.98		0.51		0.85
98	Other capital housing costs	*		*		*		*		*		*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	1.03		1.37		0.55		0.17		2.58		1.14

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group.

TABLE 5 : continued

		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution \$(a)										All house- holds
		Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	
		0-197		198-263		264-330		331-416		417 OR MORE		
Household Characteristics												
Average weekly household income \$(b)			142.79		230.72		299.74		378.55		557.08	321.47
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)			123.73		142.88		161.09		193.31		249.58	186.30
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)			164.02		158.73		165.58		172.39		218.95	181.19
Proportion of total income in each quintile group being:												
Wages and salaries		%	-		1.44		1.73		0.14		6.91	2.95
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.		%	5.62		10.30		13.83		25.00		23.25	18.45
Government cash benefits		%	23.40		17.79		10.11		12.21		7.60	12.03
Other		%	70.98		70.49		74.33		62.64		62.23	66.57
Total		%	100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)			65.90		63.12		64.47		69.54		67.94	66.18
Average number of persons per household:												
Under 18 years		No.	0.01		0.12		0.02		0.13		0.07	0.07
18 to 64 years		No.	0.56		0.95		0.99		0.76		1.13	0.88
65 years and over		No.	0.57		0.58		0.79		1.00		1.05	0.80
Total		No.	1.13		1.65		1.80		1.89		2.25	1.74
Proportion of households in quintile group with nature of housing occupancy being:												
Owned outright		%	60.04		66.82		84.86		83.47		83.48	75.74
Being bought		%	15.61		28.42		12.74		15.78		16.52	17.80
Renting - government		%	4.10		4.76		2.40		-		-	2.26
Renting - private		%	16.65		-		-		0.75		-	3.48
Occupied rent free		%	3.60		-		-		-		-	0.72
Total		%	100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)			0.10		0.04		0.14		0.05		0.33	0.13
Proportion of household in quintile group with family household composition being:												
Married couple:												
- only		%	6.76		40.18		71.54		54.33		46.60	43.94
- with dependent children only		%	0.51		3.13		2.15		7.61		-	2.67
- other		%	-		-		-		-		25.12	5.01
Single parent one family household only		%	-		5.66		-		0.60		2.44	1.74
Single person household		%	87.63		44.49		24.21		23.58		15.60	39.10
Other(f)		%	5.10		6.55		2.10		13.87		10.24	7.54
Total		%	100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample			32		32		41		35		43	183
Estimated total number in population:												
Households		('000)	18.3		18.3		18.5		18.1		18.2	91.4
Persons		('000)	20.6		30.1		33.4		34.2		41.1	159.4

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 6 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME QUINTILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME OTHER PRIVATE

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$) (a)									All house- holds
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	
		0		1- 169		170- 278		279- 397		398 OR MORE	TOTAL
Average weekly household expenditure (\$) (c)											
	Commodity or service										
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	24.79		31.55		43.09		45.22		46.13	38.27
7- 9	Fuel and power	9.27		7.37		10.84		8.47		10.71	9.34
10-47	Food	47.71		70.64		65.51		60.31		96.49	68.49
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	5.77		1.82		15.16		6.55		21.67	10.24
52	Tobacco	5.92		3.89		6.75		2.81		6.27	5.14
53-58	Clothing and footwear	10.24		9.97		14.35		8.35		26.79	13.98
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	19.62		16.83		37.89		15.96		13.43	21.02
64-69	Household services and operation	15.97		9.95		11.46		14.43		19.51	14.12
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	15.78		7.97		10.86		10.12		21.47	13.11
74-80	Transport	34.86		16.82		42.83		25.87		50.45	34.09
81-88	Recreation	41.24		23.58		34.72		35.93		52.77	37.33
89-90	Personal care	3.75		3.71		5.39		4.92		7.26	5.01
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	18.84		13.60		19.76		23.28		53.89	25.70
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	253.80		217.72		318.60		262.23		426.84	295.83
	Selected other payments										
96	Income tax	17.44		19.45		16.43		33.20		77.90	32.62
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	-		0.32		0.12		4.16		1.36	1.15
98	Other capital housing costs	*		*		*		*		*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	4.18		1.63		1.38		.42		2.49	1.99

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant quintile group.

TABLE 6 : continued

Household Characteristics	Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)									
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	All house- holds
	0		1-		170-		279-		398 OR MORE	TOTAL
			169		278		397			
Average weekly household income \$(b)	-		113.45		223.34		320.83		589.40	249.80
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	-		57.89		78.82		128.02		167.47	97.36
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	164.54		116.53		113.34		99.55		122.92	119.95
Proportion of total income in each quintile group being:										
Wages and salaries %	..		-		1.58		9.27		17.26	10.63
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div. %	..		5.65		11.71		6.84		13.76	10.89
Government cash benefits %	..		10.29		14.35		13.24		5.59	9.60
Other %	..		84.06		72.37		70.65		63.39	68.89
Total %	..		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	49.18		47.47		43.01		48.20		56.32	48.72
Average number of persons per household:										
Under 18 years No.	-		0.40		0.50		0.26		0.91	0.42
18 to 64 years No.	1.55		1.14		1.99		1.81		1.66	1.63
65 years and over No.	0.12		0.33		0.13		0.35		0.89	0.36
Total No.	1.67		1.88		2.62		2.42		3.45	2.41
Proportion of households in quintile group with nature of housing occupancy being:										
Owned outright %	73.09		42.92		55.60		40.41		67.08	55.49
Being bought %	3.06		2.53		2.87		18.04		2.81	5.70
Renting - government %	-		4.97		-		-		-	1.06
Renting - private %	12.59		40.93		40.85		41.55		20.54	31.79
Occupied rent free %	11.25		8.65		0.69		-		9.57	5.96
Total %	100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	1.14		0.22		0.28		0.34		1.06	0.59
Proportion of household in quintile group with family household composition being:										
Married couple:										
- only %	44.53		15.19		37.78		42.10		26.57	32.78
- with dependent children only %	-		27.53		27.74		9.73		28.41	19.31
- other %	11.16		-		-		11.22		21.50	8.44
Single parent one family household only %	-		-		6.50		-		4.32	2.25
Single person household %	44.32		52.95		7.89		13.53		5.61	24.84
Other(f) %	-		4.33		20.10		23.41		13.59	12.37
Total %	100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00		100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	20		30		26		19		22	117
Estimated total number in population:										
Households ('000)	11.9		13.9		13.9		12.3		12.8	64.9
Persons ('000)	19.8		26.0		36.3		29.7		44.2	155.9

(a) The quintile groups in this table are 20% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 7 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME UNEMPLOYMENT OR SICKNESS BENEFIT

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)										All house- holds
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10% group	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10% group	
		0- 79	80- 99	100- 143	144- 158	159- 174	175- 186	187- 207	208- 227	228- 261	262 OR MORE	TOTAL
Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)												
Commodity or service												
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	34.70	38.08	39.03	33.22	44.97	42.97	47.79	55.72	55.19	51.53	44.33
7- 9	Fuel and power	5.49	8.14	7.32	9.62	8.32	8.58	10.45	11.39	10.73	11.98	9.13
10-47	Food	19.13	37.97	43.40	49.85	53.99	54.30	65.73	55.38	69.13	114.18	56.15
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	5.59	5.96	15.38	4.74	4.70	4.35	4.32	6.54	3.12	14.87	6.83
52	Tobacco	3.96	4.38	6.90	7.13	8.51	9.19	8.62	9.47	7.09	11.40	7.64
53-58	Clothing and footwear	1.21	7.00	10.18	4.13	14.79	15.82	9.88	8.01	11.73	38.21	12.15
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	8.03	12.16	14.15	10.35	13.83	15.44	19.15	11.65	14.98	38.04	15.74
64-69	Household services and operation	4.77	8.01	10.08	10.52	8.57	11.39	13.85	15.39	11.21	19.45	11.16
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	1.68	3.81	5.79	3.79	4.43	8.70	5.03	4.15	4.56	7.38	4.93
74-80	Transport	18.18	14.76	54.44	25.53	28.86	33.88	40.29	44.46	58.23	91.84	41.11
81-88	Recreation	7.80	16.89	27.41	11.25	26.23	16.65	21.97	16.59	17.66	23.31	18.55
89-90	Personal care	0.77	2.41	3.74	2.44	2.09	3.82	3.22	6.62	5.16	8.44	3.80
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	12.18	11.23	52.56	10.74	8.47	8.51	8.32	8.86	12.47	45.43	17.69
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	123.47	170.81	290.38	183.31	227.77	233.60	258.63	254.24	281.26	476.06	249.22
Selected other payments												
96	Income tax	3.20	14.55	22.28	11.53	20.95	11.38	8.80	8.25	8.93	19.87	12.88
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	1.47	2.83	1.67	0.01	2.19	3.54	2.84	7.98	5.32	6.31	3.36
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	0.24	1.02	1.06	0.59	1.84	0.84	1.31	0.48	1.49	3.93	1.29

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Details of the component expenditure items which comprise broad expenditure groups are given in Appendix 2.0 of the 1984 HES Information Paper (6527.0). The codes preceding the item descriptions in the table refer to medium level code numbers contained in this Appendix. (c) The average obtained when the total estimated expenditure for a particular broad expenditure group is divided by the estimated number of households within the scope of the survey in the relevant decile group.

TABLE 7 : continued

Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$Xa)											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	All house- holds
	0-	80-	100-	144-	159-	175-	187-	208-	228-	262 OR MORE	TOTAL
Household Characteristics	79	99	143	158	174	186	207	227	261		
Average weekly household income \$(b)	73.28	88.92	124.09	149.84	165.79	182.22	199.78	217.10	242.80	331.14	177.62
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	72.28	70.12	62.98	69.80	55.69	48.51	45.81	48.42	48.54	62.60	54.82
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	132.32	141.15	124.56	84.13	73.47	62.93	59.01	55.45	55.29	90.20	75.41
Proportion of total income in each decile group being:											
Wages and salaries	%	-	2.31	3.89	-	0.09	1.14	3.85	0.90	0.84	3.88
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	%	1.50	5.02	7.37	1.40	2.04	1.54	2.20	2.22	4.31	2.98
Government cash benefits	%	98.50	90.00	87.50	98.60	97.86	96.43	93.08	94.44	94.26	91.94
Other	%	-	2.66	1.24	-	-	0.89	0.88	2.43	0.60	1.20
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	37.76	41.95	44.86	39.90	33.42	33.63	35.94	37.88	39.06	42.65	38.52
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	-	0.07	0.18	0.18	0.93	1.73	2.06	2.05	2.64	1.20
18 to 64 years	No.	1.02	1.19	1.85	2.04	2.11	2.07	2.16	2.46	2.58	2.09
65 years and over	No.	-	-	0.06	-	-	-	-	-	0.04	0.01
Total	No.	1.02	1.26	2.09	2.21	3.04	3.80	4.22	4.51	5.22	3.30
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	15.31	20.31	33.30	40.24	20.47	21.34	16.34	15.62	13.24	22.17
Being bought	%	9.54	13.39	18.61	.68	11.20	14.44	15.76	28.04	22.54	16.01
Renting - government	%	2.86	2.87	14.05	11.23	18.84	26.92	25.18	19.89	31.81	17.77
Renting - private	%	63.22	55.61	32.39	44.11	49.49	37.29	34.73	36.45	32.41	40.71
Occupied rent free	%	9.07	7.83	1.64	3.73	-	-	7.99	-	-	3.34
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	0.02	0.11	0.42	0.02	0.07	0.08	0.26	0.24	0.05	0.46	0.17
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:											
Married couple:											
- only	%	-	2.67	43.21	70.84	6.93	5.84	9.51	-	-	13.24
- with dependent children only	%	-	-	3.58	16.39	79.70	89.85	88.11	69.03	27.34	45.50
- other	%	-	7.01	10.31	-	-	2.37	2.38	24.91	17.99	11.39
Single parent one family household only	%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single person household	%	-	2.87	6.79	-	5.43	-	-	4.86	-	1.91
Other(f)	%	98.20	85.14	26.98	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.99
Total	%	1.80	2.31	9.13	12.77	7.94	1.95	-	12.98	19.57	6.97
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	35	32	30	33	38	32	37	29	38	32	336
Estimated total number in population:											
Households ('000)	21.9	15.7	18.3	17.5	21.4	20.3	18.5	15.8	21.9	18.5	189.7
Persons ('000)	22.3	19.8	38.3	38.7	65.0	77.1	78.1	71.2	114.2	101.5	626.0

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 8 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME AGE/INVALID/WIFE'S PENSION

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)										All house- holds
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10% group	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10% group	
		0- 89	90- 92	93- 97	98- 108	109- 138	139- 152	153- 166	167- 182	183- 202	203 OR MORE	TOTAL
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)												
Commodity or service												
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	19.18	15.77	13.83	21.41	25.60	15.85	30.35	15.07	17.42	18.99	19.31
7- 9	Fuel and power	5.19	5.81	5.17	5.12	6.52	8.75	7.99	8.57	9.33	9.61	7.21
10-47	Food	25.72	27.64	25.35	24.96	29.71	45.19	48.65	49.60	50.88	63.67	39.13
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	2.15	1.14	1.58	2.21	2.26	5.26	3.91	3.86	5.17	7.92	3.56
52	Tobacco	2.26	1.44	.84	2.25	1.12	3.84	3.71	2.75	4.68	6.48	2.96
53-58	Clothing and footwear	4.97	5.37	4.98	5.51	8.23	10.76	9.08	15.59	13.42	23.21	10.12
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	2.18	4.42	6.27	9.57	11.18	10.56	14.12	11.86	11.27	21.80	10.32
64-69	Household services and operation	7.28	8.09	7.52	8.35	8.47	11.18	11.09	10.79	12.08	16.50	10.15
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	5.12	4.75	3.79	3.44	5.69	4.79	8.14	7.26	7.11	9.26	5.92
74-80	Transport	7.53	5.80	5.72	11.80	19.08	25.06	29.18	21.24	22.87	47.19	19.58
81-88	Recreation	9.88	9.98	9.99	12.98	14.58	16.87	15.71	18.87	20.27	29.51	15.88
89-90	Personal care	1.51	2.51	1.92	2.50	4.03	3.34	4.36	3.53	3.63	4.72	3.20
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	7.30	3.14	3.79	6.04	4.12	5.19	5.98	4.76	8.71	13.57	6.29
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	100.27	95.87	90.76	116.14	140.60	166.65	192.27	173.73	186.82	272.43	153.62
Selected other payments												
96	Income tax	1.15	0.67	0.25	1.19	5.60	2.48	1.74	3.32	3.08	8.31	2.78
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	0.16	0.06	0.29	0.33	0.61	1.48	0.65	0.23	0.60	1.02	0.55
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.43	0.22	0.29	0.33	0.33	0.47	0.52	0.28

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TABLE 8: continued

Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	All house- holds
	0- 89	90- 92	93- 97	98- 108	109- 138	139- 152	153- 166	167- 182	183- 202	203 OR MORE	TOTAL
Household Characteristics											
Average weekly household income \$(b)	85.39	90.94	95.22	102.64	118.88	147.82	158.95	174.17	191.30	250.59	141.57
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	81.86	90.21	94.44	96.95	103.28	73.95	77.55	85.04	89.04	87.52	86.23
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	94.44	98.00	91.03	111.36	120.39	86.75	91.23	85.13	86.21	92.00	93.20
Proportion of total income in each decile group being:											
Wages and salaries	%	0.01	-	0.04	0.26	0.45	-	0.01	0.48	0.74	1.49
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	%	0.91	1.18	3.95	9.56	17.55	1.56	5.77	10.93	11.78	8.28
Government cash benefits	%	99.08	98.82	95.97	89.31	74.87	98.31	93.95	87.37	82.79	87.63
Other	%	-	-	0.04	0.87	7.13	0.14	0.27	1.22	4.68	2.61
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	73.18	71.46	72.01	69.33	71.20	69.80	70.60	69.20	70.03	66.33	70.30
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No.	-	-	-	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.05
18 to 64 years	No.	0.18	0.24	0.18	0.23	0.26	0.56	0.58	0.58	0.61	0.49
65 years and over	No.	0.86	0.77	0.83	0.79	0.87	1.41	1.45	1.39	1.44	1.10
Total	No.	1.04	1.01	1.01	1.04	1.15	2.01	2.06	2.03	2.13	1.63
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	%	74.81	68.28	54.39	64.77	81.76	73.70	73.95	82.83	84.69	73.59
Being bought	%	3.42	0.41	4.16	3.28	4.48	8.90	7.57	3.62	4.68	4.69
Renting - government	%	11.26	10.07	19.99	7.35	2.11	10.12	8.96	3.96	1.78	8.31
Renting - private	%	3.61	11.80	13.83	20.70	8.85	5.59	9.53	6.17	6.49	9.13
Occupied rent free	%	6.90	9.44	7.64	3.90	2.80	1.68	.00	3.42	2.37	4.28
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.02	0.04	0.10	0.09	0.26	0.07
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:											
Married couple:											
- only	%	3.17	1.27	-	0.96	4.92	95.99	93.39	74.52	68.27	43.00
- with dependent children only	%	-	-	-	0.03	-	1.14	-	3.88	3.90	6.09
- other	%	-	-	-	-	2.23	-	1.95	-	.53	32.08
Single parent one family household only	%	-	-	-	1.67	-	0.43	-	0.44	2.19	0.53
Single person household	%	96.06	98.73	99.22	96.47	90.41	2.44	-	2.90	-	48.54
Other(f)	%	0.77	-	0.78	0.86	2.44	-	4.66	18.26	25.11	18.31
Total	%	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	123	132	125	123	115	132	125	131	113	118	1,237
Estimated total number in population:											
Households ('000)	73.7	70.4	68.1	75.4	69.1	76.0	68.7	70.4	70.7	72.3	714.9
Persons ('000)	76.6	71.3	68.7	78.1	79.3	152.8	141.5	142.7	150.5	205.7	1,167.2

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TABLE 9 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME SUPPORTING PARENTS/WIDOWS PENSION

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)										All house- holds
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10% group	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10% group	
		0- 96	97- 115	116- 125	126- 135	136- 142	143- 160	161- 176	177- 196	197- 232	233 OR MORE	TOTAL
		Average weekly household expenditure (\$)(c)										
	Commodity or service											
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	22.96	29.65	45.06	29.81	36.89	36.73	40.27	51.45	42.28	43.71	37.76
7- 9	Fuel and power	7.05	7.36	6.62	8.66	7.90	9.36	9.02	9.50	10.78	12.60	8.90
10-47	Food	25.91	31.18	34.37	39.90	46.24	43.05	49.70	52.59	55.69	81.52	46.00
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	0.84	1.33	1.15	2.74	2.70	1.27	1.14	3.41	3.32	6.75	2.47
52	Tobacco	1.71	4.30	2.49	2.64	3.02	5.56	6.05	5.60	7.21	14.15	5.29
53-58	Clothing and footwear	7.92	9.82	15.27	10.22	13.93	3.82	18.69	14.14	22.17	23.34	13.91
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	16.28	8.14	22.93	26.51	16.79	7.86	25.18	14.67	19.80	11.60	17.00
64-69	Household services and operation	8.75	7.87	7.91	10.58	7.95	8.24	9.78	14.15	11.23	13.11	9.98
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	1.63	1.33	2.27	2.85	2.01	1.93	2.37	2.87	3.28	6.32	2.69
74-80	Transport	9.17	9.38	19.63	12.66	23.04	25.63	42.39	20.23	51.74	37.68	25.05
81-88	Recreation	11.48	9.01	11.47	18.31	5.59	15.04	19.10	11.08	25.30	33.26	16.09
89-90	Personal care	2.07	2.98	3.08	3.44	3.68	1.57	6.73	3.34	4.14	6.58	3.77
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	3.64	5.67	4.44	13.38	7.37	8.01	12.01	13.36	20.65	16.11	10.55
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	119.41	128.01	176.69	181.69	177.12	168.07	242.42	216.40	277.57	306.74	199.48
	Selected other payments											
96	Income tax	1.01	1.84	1.10	0.44	0.43	1.25	3.42	-	8.93	5.09	2.37
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	0.43	0.57	0.02	9.20	0.08	0.69	0.54	1.85	2.28	2.31	1.89
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	0.20	0.08	0.19	0.30	0.14	0.30	0.50	1.50	0.69	0.74	0.46

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TABLE 9 : continued

Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(\$)(a)											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	All house- holds
	0- 96	97- 115	116- 125	126- 135	136- 142	143- 160	161- 176	177- 196	197- 232	233 OR MORE	TOTAL
Household Characteristics											
Average weekly household income \$(b)	91.63	107.58	120.85	131.02	139.78	150.71	168.26	183.91	211.88	325.50	163.21
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	84.57	69.19	61.64	56.97	53.57	49.10	55.52	52.93	58.76	62.35	58.68
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	106.01	88.92	83.58	75.62	71.79	53.99	78.32	59.75	77.05	62.71	71.51
Proportion of total income in each decile group being:											
Wages and salaries	% 0.42	0.75	0.98	4.49	0.91	-	3.52	3.21	7.35	15.19	5.35
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	% 1.83	2.14	2.61	2.46	0.92	0.29	3.85	1.33	0.24	2.31	1.80
Government cash benefits	% 97.66	96.02	95.99	89.80	93.11	94.23	82.93	83.75	82.20	77.34	86.88
Other	% 0.08	1.09	0.42	3.24	5.06	5.49	9.69	11.71	10.21	5.17	5.98
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	57.32	41.81	32.10	35.38	30.91	32.93	35.32	31.44	37.10	40.56	37.53
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 0.07	0.54	0.88	1.19	1.47	1.91	1.70	2.20	1.86	2.47	1.43
18 to 64 years	No. 0.92	1.03	1.08	1.08	1.17	1.12	1.35	1.33	1.66	2.81	1.36
65 years and over	No. 0.08	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.04	0.05	0.02
Total	No. 1.07	1.58	1.96	2.27	2.64	3.03	3.05	3.54	3.55	5.32	2.80
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 59.13	21.26	18.62	13.74	11.24	1.60	22.68	6.59	12.74	9.67	17.66
Being bought	% 14.70	5.70	3.93	15.87	2.37	12.15	11.14	17.23	21.86	16.37	12.24
Renting - government	% 20.49	35.26	27.43	34.65	28.98	39.37	18.71	23.80	28.34	27.66	28.59
Renting - private	% 5.68	29.36	46.62	24.66	43.14	36.75	38.38	43.96	36.61	36.20	33.96
Occupied rent free	% -	8.42	3.40	11.08	14.28	10.12	9.08	8.42	0.45	10.10	7.56
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	0.07	0.02	0.04	0.19	0.07	0.01	0.21	0.21	0.31	0.47	0.16
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:											
Married couple:											
- only	% -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- with dependent children only	% -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- other	% -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single parent one family household only	% 3.73	53.84	86.97	84.85	94.42	100.00	88.89	98.23	94.51	56.31	76.07
Single person household	% 96.27	42.12	13.03	13.07	0.63	-	-	-	-	-	16.56
Other(f)	% -	4.04	-	2.09	4.94	-	6.89	1.77	3.82	38.96	6.30
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	37	40	27	40	25	37	35	32	40	39	352
Estimated total number in population:											
Households ('000)	17.6	19.5	17.4	20.0	16.5	18.0	18.4	18.0	18.2	18.4	182.1
Persons ('000)	18.9	30.9	34.0	45.5	43.6	54.4	56.1	63.8	64.9	97.8	509.8

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 10 : HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE AND CHARACTERISTICS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP, AUSTRALIA:
PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME OTHER GOVERNMENT BENEFITS

Broad Expenditure Group(b)		Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)										All house- holds TOTAL
Item Code(s)	Description	Lowest 10% group	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10% OR MORE	
		0- 88	89- 133	134- 151	152- 158	159- 170	171 187	188- 198	199- 220	221- 265	266 OR MORE	
Average weekly household expenditure \$(c)												
	Commodity or service											
1- 6	Current housing costs (selected dwelling)	32.78	14.99	21.29	13.64	29.46	15.98	24.29	24.68	26.66	47.25	25.03
7- 9	Fuel and power	12.32	5.70	7.11	7.02	6.72	8.39	8.32	10.09	7.87	9.27	8.27
10-47	Food	70.90	27.41	41.91	40.95	43.04	56.02	49.68	50.92	55.22	71.20	50.63
48-51	Alcoholic beverages	6.71	11.40	3.43	7.36	5.72	7.93	7.63	6.69	11.75	10.77	7.98
52	Tobacco	7.44	3.51	4.43	2.99	2.41	2.07	2.86	3.55	6.14	3.85	3.93
53-58	Clothing and footwear	20.81	6.60	11.87	10.21	8.08	12.17	10.85	11.94	15.78	23.16	13.14
59-63	Household furnishings and equipment	16.80	8.68	9.12	12.06	13.22	24.85	19.42	29.73	48.31	29.68	21.26
64-69	Household services and operation	13.43	6.23	10.81	9.76	15.28	14.48	12.46	13.47	14.68	15.18	12.55
70-73	Medical care and health expenses	10.74	4.78	3.03	2.88	3.00	6.18	4.62	6.99	8.09	8.42	5.88
74-80	Transport	30.04	20.47	23.18	18.81	23.39	67.36	32.67	43.66	30.28	47.46	33.65
81-88	Recreation	25.04	21.63	13.12	21.29	32.69	44.48	42.61	25.67	41.05	45.89	31.30
89-90	Personal care	4.70	1.88	3.41	5.57	4.62	4.99	4.73	3.68	3.93	7.45	4.49
91-95	Miscellaneous commodities and services	16.84	2.95	39.33	9.40	7.93	8.61	6.54	14.26	14.89	26.15	14.64
1-95	Total commodity or service expenditure	268.55	136.21	192.05	161.94	195.58	273.50	226.68	245.33	284.66	345.18	232.75
	Selected other payments											
96	Income tax	12.54	7.02	5.76	2.44	1.50	17.81	11.16	7.39	17.39	17.71	10.06
97	Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)	12.94	0.41	1.52	0.25	0.63	0.85	1.01	0.88	2.27	1.27	2.18
98	Other capital housing costs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
99	Superannuation and life insurance	3.88	0.73	0.49	2.78	0.11	0.77	0.84	0.60	1.35	1.27	1.28

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TABLE 10 : continued

Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution\$(a)											
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	All house- holds
	0- 88	89- 133	134- 151	152- 158	159- 169	170- 187	188- 198	199- 222	223- 266	267 OR MORE	TOTAL
Household Characteristics											
Average weekly household income \$(b)	24.58	104.60	146.87	155.27	164.13	180.65	193.08	207.10	242.92	365.35	178.95
Average weekly per capita income \$(c)	6.10	96.57	86.16	95.93	99.11	94.01	95.44	101.40	101.43	138.67	87.20
Average weekly per capita expenditure \$(c)	69.80	121.40	115.47	102.61	116.05	134.50	126.80	115.87	116.08	136.84	112.99
Proportion of total income in each decile group being:											
Wages and salaries	% 0.06	2.38	-	-	0.28	0.98	1.17	2.09	2.03	8.49	2.66
Own Bus./Int./Rent/Div.	% 5.78	8.66	2.94	2.47	8.55	14.16	11.89	10.45	11.07	8.98	9.09
Government cash benefits	% 94.16	88.26	96.99	97.53	90.84	81.42	83.92	81.85	81.38	74.14	84.36
Other	% -	0.70	0.08	-	0.32	3.44	3.01	5.61	5.51	8.39	3.89
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average age of household head (years)(d)	39.55	64.00	68.57	69.68	66.47	63.92	66.57	63.47	64.98	66.32	63.40
Average number of persons per household:											
Under 18 years	No. 1.78	0.05	-	-	0.01	0.03	0.11	0.15	0.09	0.22	0.24
18 to 64 years	No. 2.01	0.62	0.72	0.64	0.80	1.40	1.08	1.01	1.13	1.46	1.08
65 years and over	No. -	0.43	0.97	0.90	0.79	0.50	0.87	0.94	0.97	0.99	0.74
Total	No. 3.78	1.10	1.70	1.54	1.60	1.93	2.06	2.12	2.19	2.67	2.06
Proportion of households in decile group with nature of housing occupancy being:											
Owned outright	% 44.27	52.96	65.23	60.05	66.10	77.49	64.06	71.00	64.77	59.69	62.58
Being bought	% 33.19	12.25	20.20	12.45	22.31	20.94	22.11	18.10	21.06	25.69	20.75
Renting - government	% 15.79	8.05	6.37	11.00	-	-	4.42	3.10	7.09	1.75	5.77
Renting - private	% -	15.80	8.20	6.60	8.99	1.59	9.42	7.80	5.00	10.89	7.48
Occupied rent free	% 6.74	10.95	-	9.90	2.60	-	-	-	2.07	1.38	3.42
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Average number of earners in household (number)(e)	1.25	0.10	0.06	-	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.19	0.17	0.43	0.24
Proportion of household in decile group with family household composition being:											
Married couple:											
- only	% 1.69	4.89	66.74	53.55	53.70	75.59	66.42	81.87	56.07	49.78	50.84
- with dependent children only	% 83.54	-	-	-	1.45	7.00	9.81	6.69	9.80	5.22	12.16
- other	% 2.82	-	-	-	-	-	6.42	-	13.28	28.50	5.15
Single parent one family household only	% -	-	-	-	-	3.18	-	-	-	-	0.31
Single person household	% 11.95	90.42	30.45	46.45	41.45	14.24	12.57	5.22	10.25	9.13	27.51
Other(f)	% -	4.69	2.81	-	3.39	-	4.78	6.23	10.60	7.48	4.02
Total	% 100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of households in sample	39	41	34	34	38	37	39	44	41	46	394
Estimated total number in population:											
Households ('000)	21.7	23.1	21.7	22.6	22.0	21.8	21.2	22.5	22.8	22.6	222.1
Persons ('000)	82.2	25.3	36.8	34.8	35.3	41.9	43.8	47.6	50.0	60.3	458.0

(a) The decile groups in this table are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households with this principal source of income are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross weekly income. (b) Household income is the sum of the gross weekly income of all household members. (c) See paragraph 33 of the Explanatory notes. (d) Age last birthday. (e) Persons aged 15 years and over who reported 'earned' income i.e. income from self-employment or from part-time or full-time wage and salary employment. (f) Includes married couple and single parent families living in multiple family households.

TABLE 11: 1984 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY : NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECILE GROUP(a)
BY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE DECILE GROUP(b),
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Average Weekly Household Expenditure Distribution (b)	Average Weekly Household Gross Income Distribution(a)										All house- holds
	Lowest 10%	Second decile group	Third decile group	Fourth decile group	Fifth decile group	Sixth decile group	Seventh decile group	Eighth decile group	Ninth decile group	Highest 10%	
	Estimated Number of Households ('000)										
Lowest 10%	294.0	114.1	46.7	20.3	13.1	*	*	*	*	*	503.1
Second decile group	103.8	157.2	108.0	64.9	27.7	18.8	7.6	9.6	*	*	503.2
Third decile group	31.5	99.2	114.7	95.3	67.4	34.9	24.8	20.7	11.6	*	503.0
Fourth decile group	20.1	48.8	86.2	85.5	84.2	66.5	48.2	38.9	20.1	*	503.3
Fifth decile group	10.8	27.8	54.1	78.4	91.3	86.2	63.9	44.0	28.5	18.1	503.0
Sixth decile group	8.2	20.2	37.5	58.9	75.6	79.0	89.2	74.8	38.9	21.1	503.5
Seventh decile group	6.7	14.0	25.9	45.4	49.8	75.4	90.1	88.1	66.5	41.4	503.3
Eighth decile group	*	*	11.1	27.4	45.8	71.5	78.4	93.2	94.7	61.8	503.1
Ninth decile group	*	*	15.0	19.5	26.1	41.3	71.8	81.7	113.1	116.5	503.5
Highest 10%	*	*	*	10.0	17.7	23.8	34.8	53.6	117.4	228.7	502.9
All households	501.9	501.3	507.9	505.6	499.4	502.9	509.7	506.0	498.7	498.6	5,031.9

(a) These decile groups are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total gross income.

(b) These decile groups are 10% groupings of the estimated population when households are ranked in ascending order according to each household's total commodity or service expenditure.